ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್.ಆರ್. ಬೊಮ್ಮಾಯಿ.— ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಸಹಾಯ ತಮ್ಮಿಂದ ನಮಗೆ ಬೇಕು.

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.— I agree with the Hon. Leader of the Opposition that all these matters Call Attention Motions and Rule No. 312— are very important. All the Call Attention Motions are important and all the matter under Rule 312 are important and as a matter of fact, to-day also, there are three Call Attention Motions though the rule says that not more than one such matter shall be raised on the same sitting. Even though the rule is there, the Chair is so much indulgent that he has put 3 Call Attention Motions. Though I agree that all the Call Attention Motions are very important but I would like to say that it is being attended to by the Chair and the House also.

MR. SPEAKER.—I will ask the Government to supply statements to all the Calling Attention Notices and also to Notices under Rule 312. I will pull up. I will do my best. I think you will be proud about that matter.

SRI P. RAMDEV.—We are proud about it.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SRI R.S. PATIL (Minister for Excise and Labour).—Sir, I beg to lay:—

Notification Nos. HD 2 EDC 78 (i) & (ii) dated 11th July, 1978.

The Karnataka Excise (Rectified Spirit) (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 1978;

The Karnataka Excise (Excise Duties) (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 1978.

Under Section 71 (4) of the Karnataka Excise Act, 1965.

MR. SPEAKER.—The Papers are laid.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE :

(i) *re : Execution of Lift Irrigation Scheme in Navali*

SRI N. KARIBASAVANA GOWDA (Hadagali).—I call the attention of the Chief Minister to the delay in execution of Lift Irrigation Scheme in Navali of Hadagali Taluk.

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY (Minister for Education) —On behalf of the Chief Minister I wish to make the following statement.—

The Lift Irrigation Scheme at Navali, Hadagalli Taluk, was sanctioned in 1973-74 for an estimated cost of Rs. 3-73 lakhs to

irrigate 850 acres of Kharif semi dry crops. Two pump sets one of 100 HP and another of 50 HP were provided in the estimate. Though the work of construction of Lift Irrigation Scheme commenced during 1972, the scheme could not be completed and commissioned by the targetted time, *viz.* September, 1976, owing to the delay in erecting and commissioning of pumping machinery. Works of supply and erection of machinery were entrusted to M/s. Nirmala Engineering Company. The firm supplied the machinery but did not take up erection wor . The work of erection of different units was then entrusted to other agencies. The progress was not adequate. Hence commissioning of 50 HP pump was taken up departmentally during June 1976 and the other firm was expedited for commissioning the 100 HP pump. During trial run during August 1976, some pipes were damaged. The shaft of the pump set was broken and also the power panel board was burnt out. The power panel board was erected by K.E.B. All the repair works were later completed by March 1977. After satisfactory trial run of pumping units, water was let out on 15-7-1978 as notified earlier. The Lift Irrigation Scheme is now working satisfactorily.

SRI N. KARIBASAVANA GOWDA.—In fact it was sanctioned in the IV Assembly itself. Trial run was conducted in 1974, but here it is stated that it was conducted in 1976. Since four years, mini num charges to the tune of Rs. 38,000 and odd has been paid to the K.E.B. Is it not a waste to the exchequer and leave alone the exchequer, is it not an injustice to the ryots since 5 years ?

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.—I don't know about that information.

SRI N. KARIBASAVANA GOWDA.—The Calling Attention Motion was given about 15-20 days back. It has come to my notice that it has been commissioned now. What were the Commissioning Officers doing for the last 4 years ? I would again say that it was sanctioned in the IV Assembly and not in 1973-74, and the trial run was conducted in 1974 itself.

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.—Sir, it was commenced during 1972 and trial run was done during 1976. It was found that there was some defect in shaft of the pump set. That is why there was delay in commissioning the scheme Now it is running well.

SRI N. KARIBASAVANA GOWDA.—Sir, is it not a waste on our exchequer for having commissioned the scheme after a lapse of 4 years ?

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.—Sir, of course the delay is always bad. The point is, the delay had caused because of certain circumtances which we have not anticipated.

SRI N. KARIBASAVANA GOWDA.—Sir, when the scheme was started the pipeline through the motor tank bursted. What are the reasons for these d fective works ? Who are all those responsible for these defective installation of pumpsets ? What action you propose to take in the matter ? Is it not an injustice to the agricultural community?

SRI B. SUBBAYYA SHETTY.—Sir, I do not know what are those defects. Anyway I can say that due to pressure it would have been bursted. I do not know what exactly are the reasons. If the hon. Member has any apprehension that because of certain other circumstances that had happened, I will definitely get it examined.

(*ii*) *re : Mis-appropriation of money at the House Building Co-operative Society, Mandya.*

SRI M. S. ATHMANANDA (Mandya).—Sir, I call the attention of the Minister of the State for Co-operation to the mis-appropriation of money by the Secretary, House Building Co-operative Society, Mandya.

SRI V. M. KUSHNUR (Minister of State for Co-operation).—I wish to make the following statement.—

Sri H N. Vidyanath, was stated to be working as Secretary of the House Building Co-operative Society, Mandya since last 23 years. Several irregularities were stated to have been committed by Sri H. N. Vaidyanath during his tenure as Secretary. He has not written the books of accounts for several months and stated to have retained heavy cash balance. On perusal of the report of the Assistant Chief Auditor, Mandya, it is observed that the audit for the years 1975-76 and 1976-77 could not be conducted owing to non production of account books, ledgers, cash books etc., by the Secretary, H. N Vaidyanath. In spite of legal notices issued for production of books of accounts for audit, he has failed to appear before the auditor and also failed to produce the books of accounts for audit.

The President of the Society has stated that the Secretary was directed to produce the account and cash balance before the Board of Directors during March 1978. The Secretary had requested the President for giving him some time to write the accounts and he was given time till 10th May, 1978. The Secretary Sri Vaidyanath, himself is stated to have convened a Board Meeting on 10-5-1978 for this purpose On 10th May, 1978, although most of the Directors were present, the Secretary Sri Vaidyanath remained absent purposely. Subsequently, Sri H. N. Vaidyanath, was stated to have sent a letter of resignation to the post of Secretary requesting the Board to accept the same with effect from 9-5-1978. The Board in its meeting held